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WINFAIR INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED 永發置業有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 287)

2024/25 ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS

INTERIM RESULTS

The board of directors of Winfair Investment Company Limited (the "Company") is pleased to report the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2024.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

		Six months ended 30 September		
	Notes	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
Revenue	3	12,261	11,815	
Other revenue and gains	4	2,116	1,372	
Fair value gain/(loss) on equity instruments at fair value through profit or loss		15,403	(9,776)	
Fair value loss on investment properties		(35,706)	(30,000)	
Administrative and general expenses		(4,071)	(3,555)	
Finance costs		(201)	(337)	
Loss before income tax	5	(10,198)	(30,481)	
Income tax expense	6	(705)	(626)	
Loss for the period attributable to the owners of the Company		(10,903)	(31,107)	
Loss per share (Basic and diluted) (HK cents)	7	(27.3)	(77.8)	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Six months ended		
	30 September		
	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
Loss for the period	(10,903)	(31,107)	
Other comprehensive income:			
Item that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Changes in fair value of equity instruments at fair value through			
other comprehensive income	10,395	(6,475)	
Other comprehensive income for the period	10,395	(6,475)	
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company	(508)	(37,582)	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	Notes	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		1,256	1,296
Investment properties	8	821,000	856,700
Properties held for future development		5,550	5,550
Equity instruments at fair value through other	0	(0.)70	40,077
comprehensive income	9	60,372	49,977
		888,178	913,523
Current assets			
Equity instruments at fair value			
through profit or loss		58,924	45,351
Trade and other receivables	10	3,185	778
Tax recoverable Cash and bank balances		1 131,650	1 140,604
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		193,760	186,734
Current liabilities			
Other payables		7,138	2,990
Bank borrowings - secured	11	-	16,295
Tax payable		899	506
		8,037	19,791
		0,037	
Net current assets		185,723	166,943
Total assets less current liabilities		1,073,901	1,080,466
Non-current liabilities			
Other payables		625	1,883
Deferred tax liabilities		1,047	1,046
		1,672	2,929
NET ASSETS		1,072,229	1,077,537
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves		40,000	40,000
Share capital Reserves		40,000 1,032,229	40,000 1,037,537
TOTAL EQUITY		1,072,229	1,077,537

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Attributable to owners of the Company				
	Share capital HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Fair value reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 1 April 2023 (audited)	40,000	251	(745)	1,103,536	1,143,042
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(31,107)	(31,107)
Other comprehensive income:					
Changes in fair value of equity instruments at fair value					
through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI")		-	(6,475)		(6,475)
Total other comprehensive income		-	(6,475)	-	(6,475)
Total comprehensive income	<u> </u>	-	(6,475)	(31,107)	(37,582)
Dividend paid (Note 12)	-	-	-	(4,800)	(4,800)
Fair value reserve transferred to retained profits upon disposal of					
equity instruments at FVTOCI	<u> </u>	-	(234)	234	
As at 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	40,000	251	(7,454)	1,067,863	1,100,660

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - Continued FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Attributable to owners of the Company				
	Share capital HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Fair value reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 1 April 2024 (audited) Loss for the period Other comprehensive income:	40,000	251 -	(11,221)	1,048,507 (10,903)	1,077,537 (10,903)
Changes in fair value of equity instruments at FVTOCI		<u> </u>	10,395		10,395
Total other comprehensive income		<u> </u>	10,395		10,395
Total comprehensive income			10,395	(10,903)	(508)
Dividend paid (Note 12)		<u> </u>		(4,800)	(4,800)
As at 30 September 2024 (unaudited)	40,000	251	(826)	1,032,804	1,072,229

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" ("HKAS 34") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and the applicable disclosure provisions of Main Board Listing Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements contain condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Group since the Group's audited annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. These interim condensed consolidated financial statements and notes do not include all the information required for a complete set of financial statements prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (the "HKFRSs") and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for investment properties, properties held for future development and certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of consideration for goods and services.

The accounting policies applied that have been used in the preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those used in the Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, except for the adoption of the new and amended HKFRSs, which collective term includes all applicable HKFRSs, HKASs and Interpretations effective for the first time for annual period beginning on 1 April 2024.

The financial information relating to the year ended 31 March 2024 that is included in this announcement as comparative information does not constitute the Company's statutory annual consolidated financial statements for that year but is derived from those consolidated financial statements. Further information relating to these statutory financial statements required to be disclosed in accordance with section 436 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, Chapter 622 of the laws of Hong Kong (the "Companies Ordinance") is as follows:

The Company has delivered the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 to the Registrar of Companies as required by section 662(3) of, and Part 3 of Schedule 6 to, the Companies Ordinance.

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

The Company's independent auditor has reported on those consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. The auditor's report was unqualified, did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditor drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying its report, and did not contain a statement under section 406(2), 407(2) or (3) of the Companies Ordinance.

The preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements in compliance with HKAS 34 requires the use of certain judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The significant judgements made by management of the Company in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the Group's audited annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The application of the new and revised HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA that are mandatorily effective for the current interim period has had no material effect on the amounts reported in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements and/or disclosures set out in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements, unless otherwise stated.

The Group has not early applied the new or revised standards, amendments or interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective. The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of other new and revised standards, amendments or interpretations issued but not yet effective will have no material impact on the results and financial position of the Group.

2. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group determines its operating segments based on internal reports reviewed by the Group's chief operating decision maker (i.e. the executive directors), that are used to assess segment performance and make strategic decision. All the Group's activities are carried out in Hong Kong.

The reportable segments of the Group are as follows:

Securities investment	- securities investment for short-term and long-term
Property leasing	 letting investment properties
Property development	- properties held for future development

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating segment for the period:

	Securities i Six mont 30 Sept	hs ended	Property Six month 30 Sept	ns ended	Property de Six month 30 Sept	ns ended	Consolida Six month 30 Sept	ns ended
	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023
(Unaudited)	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment revenue								
- external customer	4,664	4,602	7,585	7,213	12		12,261	11,815
Segment results before net gains								
or losses	3,997	3,971	5,344	5,295	(15)	(13)	9,326	9,253
Fair value gain/(loss) on equity								
instruments at fair value								
through profit or loss								
("FVTPL")	15,403	(9,776)	-	-	-	-	15,403	(9,776)
Fair value loss on investment								
properties	-	-	(35,706)	(30,000)	-	-	(35,706)	(30,000)
Fair value loss on properties held								
for future development	-	-	-	-		(90)	-	(90)
Segment results	19,400	(5,805)	(30,362)	(24,705)	(15)	(103)	(10,977)	(30,613)
Bank interest income							2,116	1,450
Finance costs							(201)	(337)
Unallocated corporate expenses							(1,136)	(981)

(10,198)

(30,481)

Loss before income tax

2. SEGMENT INFORMATION - Continued

	Securities ir As at	ivestment	Property As at	leasing	Property dev As at	velopment	Consolidat As at	ted total
	30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)	30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)	AS at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)	30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Assets								
Segment assets Tax recoverable	133,529	101,369	829,244	867,718	5,550	5,550	968,323	974,637
Tax recoverable	133,529	101,369	829,244	867,718	1 5,551	5,551	<u> </u>	974,638
Unallocated corporate assets							113,614	125,619
Total assets							1,081,938	1,100,257
Liabilities Segment liabilities Tax payable and	210	273	3,383	19,420	127	107	3,720	19,800
deferred tax liabilities			1,946	1,552			1,946	1,552
	210	273	5,329	20,972	127	107	5,666	21,352
Unallocated corporate liabilities							4,043	1,368
Total liabilities							9,709	22,720

An analysis of the Group's segment assets and liabilities are as follows:

Segment assets principally comprise all tangible assets and current assets directly attributable to each segment with the exception of other unallocated head office and corporate assets (including fixed deposits and bank accounts) as these assets are managed on a group basis. Segment liabilities include all liabilities and borrowings directly attributable to and managed by each segment with the exception of other unallocated head office and office and corporate liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

3. REVENUE

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
Gross rental income Dividend income from listed investments	7,597	7,213	
- Equity instruments at FVTPL	2,448	2,404	
- Equity instruments at FVTOCI	2,216	2,198	
	4,664	4,602	
	12,261	11,815	

4. OTHER REVENUE AND GAINS

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
Fair value loss on properties held for future development Bank interest income Sundry income	۔ 2,116 	(90) 1,450 12_	
	2,116	1,372	

5. LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX

Loss before income tax is arrived at after charging

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
Depreciation Interest on bank borrowings	40 201	40 337	
Provision for expected credit losses on trade and other receivables	32	23	

6. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

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	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Hong Kong Profits Tax Deferred income tax	704 1	630 (4)
Income tax expense	705	626

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong, except for one subsidiary of the Company which is a qualifying corporation under two-tiered profits tax rates regime. For this subsidiary, the first HK\$2,000,000 of assessable profits are taxed at 8.25% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 8.25%) and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 16.5%).

7. LOSS PER SHARE

Loss per share for the period is calculated by dividing the loss attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue held by the Group of 40,000,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: 40,000,000) during the period. There were no potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding for both periods ended as at 30 September 2024 and 2023.

8. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Fair value		
At the beginning of the period/year	856,700	902,600
Additions	6	3,000
Decrease in fair value		
recognised in profit or loss	(35,706)	(48,900)
At the end of the period/year	821,000	856,700

All investment properties of the Group are situated in Hong Kong and held under following lease terms:

	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Short-term lease	15,300	16,500
Medium-term lease	221,600	230,800
Long-term lease	584,100	609,400
	821,000	856,700

Lease payments may be varied periodically to reflect market rentals.

The Group's investment properties were revalued at 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2024, giving rise to a fair value loss of approximately HK\$35,706,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$30,000,000) which has been recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss for the period. The fair values of the Group's investment properties at 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2024 have been derived by RHL Appraisal Limited, an independent qualified professional valuer, using direct comparison method.

Included in the investment properties, the carrying value of HK\$500,000,000 as at 30 September 2024 (31 March 2024: HK\$522,000,000) represents the investment properties under redevelopment in Hong Kong.

At 30 September 2024, no investment properties (31 March 2024: HK\$61,300,000) have been pledged to a bank to secure general bank facilities of the Group.

9. EQUITY INSTRUMENTS AT FVTOCI

	As at	As at
	30 September	31 March
	2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Listed shares in Hong Kong, at fair value	60,372	49,977

The listed equity securities were irrevocably designated at FVTOCI as the Group considers the investment to be long-term strategic capital investment in nature. The Group held less than 1% interest of issued share capital for each underlying investee company.

Top five holdings of the Group's equity instruments at FVTOCI are as follows:

Stock Code	Stock name	Principal business	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
388	Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited	Financials	15,177	10,599
2	CLP Holdings Limited	Utilities	11,360	10,288
1398	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited ("ICBC") - H Shares	Financials	5,574	4,733
386	China Petroleum & Chemical Corporation - H Shares	Energy	5,566	5,106
1	CK Hutchison Holdings Limited	Conglomerates	4,478	N/A
1113	CK Assets Holdings Limited	Properties & Construction	N/A	3,870

N/A: It is not applicable to disclose as they were not the top five holdings of the Group's equity instruments at FVTOCI in the respective financial period/year.

Changes in fair value of the above equity securities are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated within the fair value reserve within equity. The Group transfers amounts from fair value reserve to retained profits when the relevant equity securities are derecognised.

There were no disposal of equity securities during the six months ended 30 September 2024. During the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group disposed certain equity securities at approximately HK\$2,148,000, resulting in a transfer of accumulated gain on the equity instruments at FVTOCI of approximately HK\$234,000 within equity.

The fair values of listed securities are determined on the basis of their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period.

10. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Rental receivables (note)		
- Within 30 days	100	100
- Within 31 days to 60 days	78	48
- Within 61 days to 90 days	12	
	190	148
Other receivables	2,816	343
Deposits and prepayments	254	330
	3,260	821
Less: Provision for expected credit losses	(75)	(43)
Total trade and other receivables, net	3,185	778

Note:

Rental receivables from tenants are payable on presentation of invoices. Normally, monthly rentals are payable in advance by tenants in accordance with the respective lease term. As at 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2024, all trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered within one year. The ageing analysis is presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period. The Group holds rental deposits as collateral over these balances.

In determining the recoverability of rental receivables, the Group reviews the recoverable amount of each tenant at the end of the reporting period to ensure the adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. The exposure of credit risk is limited due to deposits received from tenants. Full allowance will be made on the balance overdue for 90 days after setting off the relevant tenant's deposit.

Movements on the provision for expected credit losses are as follows:

	As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Balance at beginning of the period/year	43	55
Provision/(reversal) of provision	32	(12)
Balance at end of the period/year	75	43

11. BANK BORROWINGS - SECURED

- (a) No secured bank loans as at 30 September 2024 (31 March 2024: HK\$16,295,000).
- (b) All of the Group's secured bank loans of approximately HK\$16,295,000 were fully repaid in June and August 2024 which were repaid according to the scheduled repayment dates as set out in the loan agreements. Accordingly, as at 30 September 2024, no investment properties were pledged and no corporate guarantee given by the Company in favour of the bank for securing the loans. As at 31 March 2024, the Group's bank borrowings were secured by (i) investment properties of the Group amounting to approximately HK\$61,300,000 and (ii) a corporate guarantee amounting to HK\$32,900,000 given by the Company in favour of the bank for securing the loans.
- (c) During the six months ended 30 September 2024, the Group's secured bank loans borne interest at 1.55% above Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate ("HIBOR"), or 1.8% per annum below Hong Kong Dollars Best Lending Rate ("BLR") of a commercial bank in Hong Kong (six months ended 30 September 2023: 1.55% above HIBOR, or 1.8% below BLR). An interest on bank borrowings was approximately HK\$201,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$337,000).

12. DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the period:

	Six month 30 Sept	
	2024 2023 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 (Unaudited) (Unaudited)	
Interim dividend declared after the end of the reporting period		
- HK\$0.02 (2023: HK\$0.02) per ordinary share	800	800
	800	800

The interim dividend declared after the end of the reporting period has not been recognised as a liability at the end of the reporting period.

(b) Dividends attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the period:

	penou.	Six month 30 Septe 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	
	Final dividend declared and paid - HK\$0.12 (2023: HK\$0.12) per ordinary share	4,800	4,800
		4,800	4,800
13.	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS		
		As at 30 September 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2024 HK\$'000 (Audited)
	Contracted but not provided for: Capital expenditure for the redevelopment of the investment properties	30 September 2024 HK\$'000	31 March 2024 HK\$'000

14. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets measured at fair value

Fair value Hierarchy

The table below analyses recurring fair value measurements for financial assets and financial liabilities. These fair value measurements are categorised into different levels in the fair value hierarchy based on the inputs to valuation techniques used. The different levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included with Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the financial asset is categorised in its entirety is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The financial assets measured at fair value are grouped into the fair value hierarchy as follows:

Recurring fair value measurement Financial assets:	Level 1 HK\$'000	Level 2 HK\$'000	Level 3 HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 30 September 2024 (unaudited)				
Equity instruments at FVTOCI - listed shares in Hong Kong	60,372	-	-	60,372
Equity instruments at FVTPL - listed shares in Hong Kong	58,924	-	-	58,924
	119,296			119,296
As at 31 March 2024 (audited)				
Equity instruments at FVTOCI				
- listed shares in Hong Kong	49,977	-	-	49,977
Equity instruments at FVTPL - listed shares in Hong Kong	45,351			45,351
	95,328			95,328

During the period, there was no transfer of financial instruments between different levels of fair value hierarchy. The Group's policy is to recognise transfers between levels of fair value hierarchy as at the end of the reporting period in which they occur.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The board has resolved to pay an interim dividend of 2 HK cents (2023: 2 HK cents) per share, totaling HK\$800,000 (2023: HK\$800,000). Such dividend will be paid on or about 9 January 2025 to the shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company at the close of business on 23 December 2024.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 19 December 2024 to Monday, 23 December 2024, both days inclusive. To qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers of shares, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17 Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 18 December 2024.

SHARE PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's issued shares during the period under review.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee currently consists of three independent non-executive directors and one non-executive director.

At the request of the Audit Committee, BDO Limited, the auditor of the Company, has performed certain agreed-upon procedures on the Group's unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2024 in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Related Services 4400 (Revised) "Agreed-Upon Procedures Engagements" issued by the HKICPA.

The agreed-upon procedures were performed solely to assist the Audit Committee to review the interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2024. As the agreed-upon procedures did not constitute an assurance engagement performed in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing, Hong Kong Standards on Review Engagements or Hong Kong Standards on Assurance Engagements issued by the HKICPA, the auditor of the Company does not express an opinion or an assurance conclusion on the interim results of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2024.

The Audit Committee has reviewed with the management of the Company the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters, including the review of the Group's unaudited consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2024.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

None of the directors of the Company is aware of any information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not, or was not during the six months ended 30 September 2024 in compliance with the code provisions set out in the "Corporate Governance Code" contained in Appendix C1 of the Listing Rules, except that:

- The Group has not designated any chief executive officer. Generally, prior approvals by all executive directors are required for all strategic decisions and are to be confirmed either at formal board meeting or under written resolution subsequently. The Group believes that the existing organization and decision making procedures are adequate for the Group to cope with the ever-changing economic environment; and
- The Group has not arranged insurance cover in respect of legal action against its directors as the Board considers that there is prudent management policy currently in place. However, the need for insurance policy will be subject to review from time to time.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

Business review

The Group's turnover for the period amounted to approximately HK\$12,261,000, representing an increase of HK\$446,000 (or 3.8%), as compared to the same period in last year.

During the period under review, the Group recorded a loss of approximately HK\$10,903,000, representing a reduction in loss of HK\$20,204,000 (or 65.0%), as compared to the same period in last year. A reduction in loss was mainly due to a fair value gain on equity instruments at FVTPL incurred during the period, as compared to the fair value loss for the same period in last year.

Property leasing

The rental income of the Group was approximately HK\$7,585,000, representing an increase of approximately HK\$372,000 (or 5.2%), as compared to the same period in last year. The increase was mainly due to an increase in occupancy rate.

Excluding recurring valuation gain or loss of investment properties, the leasing segment recorded a stable profit of approximately HK\$5,344,000 during the period.

A continued high interest rate, an increase in northbound consumption trend, tightening lending policy implemented by the financial institutes and other uncertain external environment factor have brought challenges to the economic recovery and property market sentiment. The Group has slowed down the progress of the redevelopment project at 31 Fuk Tsun Street ("FTS Project") in order to minimize the negative impact on shareholders' interests. The Group will continue to take due care to assess the cost and benefit of the project and review the market changes from time to time. The Group will speed up or further slow down the redevelopment plan if and when the directors consider it appropriate, subject to prevailing market conditions.

Property leasing - Continued

The Group recorded a fair value loss on investment properties of approximately HK\$35,706,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$30,000,000) during the period under review. As at 30 September 2024, the Group's fair value of investment properties was HK\$821,000,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$856,700,000).

Property development

The Group recorded no fair value gain or loss (six months ended 30 September 2023: fair value loss of HK\$90,000) on properties held for future development during the period ended 30 September 2024.

As at the date of this report, there was no significant progress on the development.

Securities investment

Dividend income increased by approximately HK\$62,000 (or 1.3%) to approximately HK\$4,664,000 as compared to the same period in last year.

For the period under review, the Group recorded a fair value gain on equity instruments at FVTPL of approximately HK\$15,403,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: fair value loss of HK\$9,776,000) and fair value gain on equity instruments at FVTOCI of approximately HK\$10,395,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: fair value loss of HK\$6,475,000) which were recorded in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income respectively. The management continues to keep watch of the market and will make appropriate adjustments if they think fit. As at 30 September 2024, the Group's listed share investment portfolios had an aggregate fair value of approximately HK\$119,296,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$95,328,000).

Securities investment - Continued

Details of the top five in the Group's share investment portfolios as at 30 September 2024 for long-term and trading purpose are set out in Table 1 and Table 2 below, respectively:

Sto	ck		Principal	Investment	Fair value at	Proportional to total assets of	Fair value gain during	Dividend
coc		Stock name	Business	Costs (HK\$'000)	30.9.2024 (HK'000)	the Group	the period (HK\$'000)	income (HK\$'000)
1.	388	Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited	Financials	9,602	15,177	1.4%	4,578	203
2.	2	CLP Holdings Limited	Utilities	9,023	11,360	1.0%	1,073	208
3.	1398	ICBC - H Shares	Financials	6,881	5,574	0.5%	841	363
4.	386	China Petroleum & Chemical Corporation - H Shares	Energy	7,030	5,566	0.5%	460	392
5.	1	CK Hutchison Holdings Limited	Conglomerates	9,480	4,478	0.4%	691	247
		Other securities (note(1))		26,471	18,217	1.7%	2,752	803
		Total		68,487	60,372	5.5%	10,395	2,216

Note (1): Other securities included ten stocks listed in Hong Kong. Six of which were current constituents of the Hang Seng Index and their principal businesses mainly included property and construction, conglomerates, financials and information technology.

Note (2): The Group held less than 1% interest of the issued share capital for each underlying company.

Securities investment - continued

					Fair value	Proportional to total	Fair value gain	
Stoo cod		Stock name	Principal Business	Investment Costs	at 30.9.2024	assets of the Group	during the period	Dividend income
				(HK\$'000)	(HK'000)		(HK\$'000)	(HK\$'000)
1.	2628	China Life Insurance Co. Ltd H Shares	Financials	14,962	12,496	1.1%	4,984	339
2.	9988	Alibaba Group Holdings Ltd SW	Information Technology	20,312	10,450	0.9%	3,776	153
3.	3988	Bank of China Ltd H Shares	Financials	6,556	6,489	0.6%	778	412
4.	1398	ICBC - H Shares	Financials	8,388	6,032	0.6%	910	393
5.	914	Anhui Conch Cement Co. Ltd H shares	Materials	11,558	5,255	0.5%	1,511	218
		Other securities (note (1))		39,146	18,202	1.7%	3,444	933
		Total		100,922	58,924	5.4%	15,403	2,448

Note (1): Other securities included 20 stocks listed in Hong Kong. Seven of which were current constituents of the Hang Seng Index and their principal businesses were properties and construction, energy, consumer staples, automobile, utilities and real estate REIT.

Note (2): The Group held less than 1% interest of the issued share capital for each underlying company.

Liquidity and financial resources

During the period under review, all of the Group's bank borrowings of approximately HK\$16,295,000, were fully repaid which were in accordance with the scheduled repayment dates as set out in the loan agreements. All of the Group's bank borrowings were at floating interest rates. The Group's gearing ratio, which was taken as bank borrowings to total shareholders' equity, was dropped from 1.5% to zero.

Cash held by the Group as at 30 September 2024 was approximately HK\$131,650,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$140,604,000). The Group's outstanding capital commitments for property redevelopment projects which was contracted but not accounted for, were HK\$12,050,000. The capital expenditures for redevelopment projects are expected to be partly funded by internal resources and partly funded by construction loan. The management of the Company continues to operate under a prudent financial policy and will implement all necessary measures to ensure that the Group maintains adequate cash and appropriate credit facilities to meet its future operating, project development expenditure, and loan repayment obligations. The Group will continue to closely monitor the market changes especially the interest rate trend, policies implemented by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority and the Government of HKSAR, and the banker's lending attitudes towards the real estate business. The Group will arrange new credit facilities for the Group's property development when the Group considers it is in the best of the shareholders as a whole. In the long run, the Group will continue to adopt an optimum financial structure for the best interests of its shareholders in light of changes in economic conditions.

The Group did not use any financial instruments for hedging purposes during the six months ended 30 September 2024.

Assets pledged

As at 30 September 2024, no assets of the Group were pledged to a bank to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group. As at 31 March 2024, investment properties with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$61,300,000 were pledged to a bank to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

Prospects

Subsequent to a decrease in interest rate by 50 basis points in mid-September 2024, the Hang Seng Index at 30 September 2024 rose to 21,133.68 points. Such favourable factor had been reflected in the Group's interim results of the securities investment. However, the management expects that the business environment in Hong Kong remains challenging. Geopolitical factors, high interest rate and tightening policy implemented by financial institutions continuously affect the economic growth. Northbound consumption trend seriously affects the local investment sentiment which limits the speed of economic recovery. We will keep monitoring the market sentiment and interest rate trend, and make appropriate decisions in each business segment and property development plans which would be in the best interest of the shareholders of the Company. When appropriate, the Group will negotiate loan arrangements with a bank to get the redevelopment projects back on track.

By order of the board

Ng Tai Wai Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 November 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Ng Tai Wai and Mr. Ng Tai Yin Victor, the non-executive directors are Mr. So Kwok Leung, Mr. So Kwok Wai Benjamin and Ms. Ng Kwok Fun, the independent non-executive directors are Dr. Ng Chi Yeung Simon, Ms. Chan Suit Fei Esther and Mr. Heng Pei Neng Roy.